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REMARKS

Disposition of claims

Claims 1-23 are pending. Claims 1-19 have been amended. Support for the amendments can be found in the Specification as filed, for example, in paragraphs [0037]-[0062]. Therefore, no new matter has been introduced by these amendments.

Restriction to one of the following groups was required under 35 USC 121:

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| Group I | Claims 1-10 and 20-21, drawn to a vaccine composition comprising polypeptide and a method of vaccinating a human against plasmodium infection, classified in class 424, subclass 184.1 |
| Group II | Claims 11-20 and 22, drawn to a vaccine composition comprising polynucleotide and a method of vaccinating human with said polynucleotide, classified in class 514, subclass 44 |
| Group III | Claim 23, drawn to a method of vaccinating human with antibodies to ligand specific to binding BAEBL polypeptide classified in class 424, subclass 130.1. |

In response to this Restriction Requirement, Applicant elects Group I, that is Claims 1-10 and 20-21.

Election of species

Applicant has been further required to elect one invention (with one SEQ.ID.NO) to be examined. Applicant understands that this election of species requirement has been made in error, because groups have not been identified. Applicant requests confirmation that election of species is not required.

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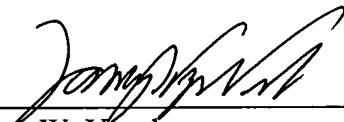
CONCLUSION

In view of the foregoing, Applicant respectfully requests that this application be passed to issuance. If any point remains that can be resolved by telephone, the Examiner is invited to contact the undersigned at the below-given telephone number.

Respectfully submitted,

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